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I can never thank our many volunteers enough as I witness the enormous amount of time and effort put forth so the rest of us can enjoy our property and amenities. Special thanks go to the members of the Access Committee who have been very busy this summer monitoring our pools among other areas. Unfortunately, some using our pools insist on using glass by the pool or choose to smoke in non-smoking areas. Gates and doors have been wedged opened sending an alert to a member of the committee who goes to the scene to see if a breach in security has occurred. There have been instances where police assistance has been required and at other times access cards have been deactivated due to misuse of the card. Please be aware that security cameras monitor our amenity areas and are reviewed when doors or gates are left opened or when damage has occurred.

Last month it was announced that service providers must obtain liability insurance and workers' compensation insurance in order to continue offering services in our facilities. After review, the board is still requiring liability insurance and is attempting to find an alternative to workers' compensation insurance. It is hoped that an official announcement will be forthcoming in September.

The demolition and site preparation have been completed for the new addition at the Pink Palace. Footings have been poured and the foundation block is well under way. The slab will be installed once the blocking is complete and framing is scheduled to begin in September.

On **Saturday, October 9th** at the Palm Court Events Center tent behind the convention center, Sea Trail will hold a plant sale **exclusively for homeowners**. This cash only event begins at 9am and ends at 11am or when all the plants have been sold. Potted pansies (4") will be sold for \$2 each. Parking will be in the gravel area between the convention center and the Champions buildings.

Thanks, and enjoy the remaining summer days!

— **Bill Metikiff, Master Association President**

Welcome Committee

A warm welcome to our new neighbors, Tony and Gere Andujar who just moved from Indian Trail (outside of Charlotte) to 953 Bay Pointe Drive in Oyster Bay. Gere is retired from Bank of America, investments department and Tony is a semi-retired electrical contractor. They are still owners/operators of Andujar Electric, Inc. Tony is licensed and insured in North Carolina. He is an avid golfer (you picked the right place!) and also enjoys fishing and spending time on our beautiful beach. Gere also loves the beach and spends time gardening, crafting and just enjoying life. Like many of us, they chose Sea Trail for the golf and the beach. They were also influenced by Tony's sister and brother-in-law who also live in Sea Trail. Their family includes four married children and seven grandchildren. Originally from Tenafly, N.J. they moved to Charlotte about 26 years ago. Lucky for us they decided on Sea Trail as they are very outgoing and personable and are anxious to get involved (not a problem in Sea Trail!). Thanks to Myrt Klein for visiting our new neighbors.

— **Julie Sullivan**

Committees



Access

The beach Gate has been functioning since 7/6/10. We have seen a high level of usage, especially on the weekends. Everyone is being orderly when parking and we would like to thank you for your courtesy to all others using the lot.

Pool season has been in full swing since the Memorial Day weekend. There have been a significant number of issues that have required the assistance of the Access Committee. We have been involved with multiple issues regarding fecal matter in the pools. By reviewing the video we were able to determine the culprits. We had broken glass in the pool area and we were able to seek financial restitution from those that caused the issue. People have gone over the fence after hours and with the assistance of the Sunset Beach Police Department, we confronted those who violated the rules. We have up to two years to seek trespassing charges. Additional violations by these individuals will cause us to file charges. We have had an incidence that led to misdemeanor charges filed. Using the Access system, we were able to assist the police department with their investigation. Those responsible individuals had their facilities access suspended for a month. Additionally individuals have been caught with glass in the pool, smoking in the pool area, and leaving the door of the pools propped open. Those individuals have had their privileges to all Master Association facilities suspended for two days to two weeks depending on the severity. These are just the highlights. Our investments in the video and access systems have paid dividends in its first full year of operation.

On 9/20/10 we will be closing the Pink Palace pool gate, on the left side of the building, for three days. This is to allow for replacement of the pool gate frame. We will accommodate those of you that want to use the pool or exercise facility by opening the gate on the right side of the Pink Palace. This gate will be open from 9 AM to 5 PM during the gate repair. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

We ask that when a person is having difficulty gaining access to any of the Master Association facilities that they call the help number posted by the doors. Please do not help anyone enter that is experiencing difficulties. There is a multitude of reasons why a card does not work. It could have been improperly entered into the Access system. The individual may have violated a Master Association rule, they may not have paid their Association dues or any other reason that is deemed by the Master Association Board. That phone number is 910-575-8284 or by email at stmaschedule@hotmail.com , an access committee member will be glad to assist you.

— Ron Cybyske



Rules - Reserving STMA Facilities

As property owners we are fortunate to have the ability to reserve and use our lovely facilities for meetings, activities and special events. Access to the Pink Palace/MAC meeting facilities is by reservation only via the Facilities Reservation Chairperson (FRC). Please take a moment to read through the guidelines for their use. Use of the meeting facilities shall be subject to the following:

- A damage/cleaning deposit may be required by the FRC. Usage fees for registered activities may be established by STMA in the future.
- All meeting facilities are non-smoking facilities.
- No wet bathing suits are allowed in the meeting facilities
- Tape, nails, etc. may not be used to fasten anything to the walls or woodwork.
- Do not prop open the door(s), alarm is sent when this occurs.
- The reserving property owner shall comply with the clean-up guidelines outlined in the Rules Handbook.

The grill in the cookout terrace cannot be reserved for exclusive use.

— Jim Leonard, Chair, Rules & Regulations Committee

Look for the Orange Mark.

The Master Association Office frequently receives calls from concerned property owners who see trees being taken down on neighboring properties. Most of the time approval has been granted by the Architectural Standards Committee (ASC), but there may be times when an owner fails to seek the proper approval.

To address this concern, in the future when the ASC approves a tree removal an **orange** identifying mark/line will be painted on the tree noting that approval has been given. As with many exterior changes some type of approval may be required. When in doubt contact the Master Association Office.

— Debra Bordeaux, STMA and ASC Administrator



PLEASE REMEMBER TO CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PETS AND KEEP YOUR DOGS ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES. THANK YOU, RULES COMMITTEE

Committees (cont.)



Social

Sock Hop

Saturday, October 30th.

6:30 – 11:00 Pink Palace

\$12 per person.

Reserve tables for 4-8 people.

**Please make checks to
JoAnn Abrams.**

**Drop off or mail check with table
reservation to 314 Crooked Gully
Circle by October 15th.**

**Music! Dancing! Games!
Fun!**

HISTORIC TOUR OF BALD HEAD ISLAND

**Dates: Tuesday, Sept. 21st, or Wednesday, Sept. 29th
Leaving on the 10 a.m. ferry from Southport**

**Cost: \$46 per person; includes: round trip ferry, 1 ½
hour guided tour of the island, admission to museum,
Old Baldy lighthouse, and the Keeper's Cottage; PLUS
a \$10 coupon toward lunch at Ebb and Flow
Restaurant!**

**It's not too late! There is space available for both
dates!**

**Confirm your space by Sept. 6th by making your check
payable to Sue Cole and giving it to one of the following
Sea Trail ladies:**

**Sue Cole 579-0755
Paula Curriuan 575-0655
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Property Owner Changes and Additions

Changes

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Clubs and Activities

Bridge

Couples

Winners for NS in the August Couples Bridge were Alice and Scott Stovin. Winners for EW were Bev Giles and Sue Copley.

September Couples Bridge will be on September 10 at the Pink Palace beginning at 7:30 p.m. Please contact Judie or Larry Daniels at 575-6101 if you would like to play.

Thursday Ladies Bridge

Winners on 6/24 were Dian Robbins, Gini Dallin, Judie Daniels.

Winners on 7/1 were Alice Stovin, Judie Perna, and Bev Giles.

Winners on 7/8 were Dian Robbins, Gini Dallin, Lillian Hugelmeyer.

Winners on 7/15 were Donna Vincent, Lillian Hugelmeyer, Gini Dallin.

Winners on 7/22 were Judie Daniels, Gini Dallin, Sue Copley.

Winners on 7/29 were Gini Dallin, Dolores Wenstrup, Becky Brown.

Winners on 8/5 were Joanne DeYonge, Alice Stovin, Phyllis Manfred.

Winners on 8/12 were Nancy Jo Marsden, Gini Dallin, Becky Brown.

Winners on 8/19 were Pat Diehl, Gini Dallin, Sue Copley.

Winners on 8/26 were Martha Lafferty, Anne Giordano, Joanne DeYonge.

Thursday Ladies Bridge meets every Thursday at 9:15 in the Pink Palace. To sign up or for more information please call Nancy Jo Marsden at 575-3771 or Martha Lafferty at 575-4950.

September Dining Around

Only one week left to make your reservation! Please join us on Monday, September 13th at Nakato Japanese Hibachi Restaurant located at 9912 North Kings Highway (Route 17, Restaurant Row), Myrtle Beach. Your hosts for the evening are Pat and John Lupi, and Ann Roberts and Dan Davis.

Cocktail hour begins at 5:30 PM and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Each dinner includes: soup, salad, shrimp appetizer, grilled noodles, grilled vegetables, fried rice, and a choice of two entrees from teriyaki chicken, hibachi steak and hibachi shrimp. Dinner also includes soda or iced tea.

All this for \$20 per person, which includes tax and gratuity. Please make checks payable to Dan Davis. Choice of entrées is not necessary on check. Drop off your check to Davis/Roberts, 526 Fairway Dr. West, by Wednesday, September 8th. We look forward to seeing you on September 13th.

Garden Club

On August 10th, Joyce Hellmann welcomed everyone to the 214th meeting of the Sea Trail Garden Club.

Sue Beebe introduced the recipient of our Make-A-Wish donation. The 14-year old recipient and her family provided an overview and pictures of their trip to Disney World. It was clear that they were overwhelmed with our generosity and the wonderful trip they had. No dry eyes!

Rick Hairston, co-founder of the Carolina Canines for Veterans spoke about his incredible training program for rescue dogs to become the "partner" to disabled veterans. He brought Titus who showed us amazing feats as a result of extensive training. Rick was asked if he trained husbands as well, but he does not.

Kathy Dawe is looking for additional auction items including "white elephant" items. She has letters and receipts available to give to donating businesses. Cut-off for donated items is Friday, September 17th.

Finally, if you would like to support one of our local friends, Sharon Roseman of Shady Oaks will be raising money for Muscular Dystrophy. She will be in "jail" and will be raising "bail" for the cause. This will run until September 24.

See you at the Fashion Show on September 28th.

— Pam Fisher, Secretary

Charity Auction

It's that time of year again. Beach company has left, grandchildren are back in school and our Garden Club is putting the final touches on presenting our Fall Fashion Show and Charity Auction being held on September 28th.

The Sea Trail Garden Club Charity Auction Committee is asking for your assistance. Cheri Lambert has once again, generously donate straw bags for our members to fill. You can fill these bags individually, or they can be filled by a group of friends. Each bag should have a theme and have a list of the contents attached. You can also fill a basket or box of your choice.

Commemorating our 20th year, part of the auction will be as it once was. In conjunction with the gift certificates and theme bags, there will be White Elephant items. We are asking members to contribute things that are in very good condition that are no longer in their need. The Auction Committee will make the final decision as to whether or not it will be auctioned separately or combined with other items. Things that are not actionable will not be returned.

So, get your friends together, start thinking about a theme and fill those bags. All items must be received by Kathy Dawe, 239 Rice Mill Circle, 579-2549 no later the September 24th. See you on the 28th.

Clubs and Activities (cont.)

Prayer Support Circle

Give us grateful hearts, our Father, for all thy blessings, and make us mindful of the needs of others' ...these are words from a prayer book, and the members of the prayer circle are always grateful and thankful for our many blessings. Now we have hearts full of gratitude for the wonderful gift the Chapel-on-the-Green has received from the STLGA and Nine-holers Memorial Golf Tournament in memory of their deceased members. The chapel has been selected as the recipient of those funds raised in that tournament, and we thank all those ladies who made this gift possible. We are Blessed! God's Peace. — **Sea Trail Prayer Support Circle**

Marge Gallop	Oyster Bay	579-7676
Myrt & Ron Klein	Oyster Pointe	579-1354
Gloria Lee	Osprey Ct.	579-0949
Carol Marchell	Rice Mill	579-9561
JoAnn Jenkins	Sugar Sands	579-5973
Rosemary Walker	SS	579-9709

Brick Memorial

A brick memorial service is scheduled for **Leslie Ulrich**, at the Chapel-on-the-Green on Friday, October 1, at 11:00 a.m. Please mark your calendar.

Garden Club Fashion Show

The time for the annual Garden Club Fashion Show, Charity Auction, and Luncheon is fast approaching. This year's show will be held in the Sea Trail Conference Center on September 28th. The doors open at 9:00 a.m.

Featuring clothes from Dillard's of Coastal Grand Mall the show will be:

Fashion In Three Acts

- Act I: "So Much to Do-So Little Time" (casual outfits)
- Act II: "Places to Go-People to Meet" (fashions will be a bit more dressy)
- Act III: "Putting On The Ritz" (fancy, fancy)

The cost is \$20.00 for members and guests. This event is open to the public, so please encourage guests to attend. The flyer in the Sea Trailer may be printed if you would like to share information.

To reserve your seat or a table of eight, please send a check, payable to Sea Trail Garden Club, to Ellen Belford at 212 Crooked Gulley Circle or place in a basket on Ellen's porch. If reserving a table of eight, please turn in all checks in one envelope with the list of names. If less than eight, we will combine tables. Your check is your reservation and must be received no later than September 15th.

If you have any questions, please call Ellen at 579-2629 or Dian Robbins at 575-1810.

October Dining Around

Dine Around with a twist at P.F. Chang's, 1190 Farrow Parkway, Myrtle Beach, SC in Market Commons, on Monday, October 4. You can park in the Piggly Wiggly Shopping Center across the street or in the parking garage behind the restaurant.

Our Cocktail Hour will run from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. to insure Happy Hour prices. Prepare for unique Chinese cuisine served family style at each table. No need to choose anything.

The following dishes will be brought to every table:

Appetizers to share: Chinese chicken lettuce wraps; steamed pork and vegetable dumplings.

Entrees to share: Chang's spicy chicken stir fried in a sweet Sichuan sauce; Mongolian beef quickly cooked with scallions and garlic; Shrimp with candied walnuts and honeydew melon in a light lemon sauce; Buddha's Feast, a vegetable medley with five-spice tofu; Singapore street noodles (NY has hot dog and gyro vendors. Singapore has noodle vendors). White and brown rice will be served as well.

Desserts to share: Banana spring rolls with coconut/pineapple ice cream drizzled with caramel and vanilla sauce; The Great Wall of Chocolate Cake (a six-layer surprise).

Dragon Eye Oolong robust tea and a Decaf sweet ginger peach tea are included.

The cost is \$30 per person, payable to Thomas Pickel or Neil Weiss. You may drop your checks in the containers at 208 (Pickel) or 210 (Weiss) Crooked Gulley Circle or mail them to Neil Weiss at 210 Crooked Gulley Cir. This is limited to the first 90 people, so please get your reservation in no later than September 24th. Your hosts Neil and Linda Weiss and Anne Marie and Tom Pickel look forward to seeing you at P. F. Chang's.

Dining at Sea Trail

With the Sea Trail Staff busy getting ready for the Homeowner's Weekend, I am sorry to say I don't have any information on the October Theme dinner, other than it will be an Oktoberfest theme. I believe the September dinner marks the first anniversary for the theme dinners. From some of the feedback I have gotten, I think they have been very successful and enjoyed by all who have attended.

I do have the list of the daily lunch specials being served. Starting with Monday and ending with Sunday, they are as follows: Duo Salad Plate – choose 2 of the following choices: Chicken, Tuna, or Egg; Fried Bologna Sandwich with choice of side; BBQ Ribs basket with choice of side; Chef's Salad; Tilapia Po Boy, blackened or fried with choice of side; Buffalo Chicken Wrap with choice of side; and ending Sunday with Cheeseburger Sliders with choice of side.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. Please be careful of the big, yellow, school buses which are in full swing again.

— **Diane Kreuzburg**

Sea Trail Garden Club

&

Dillard's

Of Coastal Grand Mall

Present



Fashion In Three Acts

Annual Fashion Show, Charity Auction, & Luncheon

- When: Tuesday, September 28th
- Where: Sea Trail Conference Center
- Time: Doors Open at 9 AM
- Benefits: Local Charities
- Cost: \$20.00 Reserved Seating Only

Checks, payable to Sea Trail Garden Club, are due by September 15th and may be sent to Ellen Belford at 212 Crooked Gulley Circle, Sunset Beach, NC 28468. Please include list of names and a contact number for group seating. Tables seat eight. For more information call Ellen (579-2629) or Dian Robbins (575-1810)

Clubs and Activities (cont.)

Sea Trail Grandmas

Service project to kit and sew clothes for premature and newborn babies. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at the Pink Palace from 9:15-11:30. For more information, see www.seatrailgrandmas.blogspot.com.

— Michele Lupien, 579-8470 michelebruno@atmc.net
— Betty Ann Luff 575-0297 luff1@atmc.net

Knitting Club

We meet at the Pink Palace on the 1st and 4th Wednesdays of each month between 1:30 and 5:00. Bring your project, favorite Drink and come to relax with us. If you've never knit before but would like to learn, you are welcome to join us. We are a fun-loving group that helps each other. For information, contact Michele Lupien, 579-8470 michelebruno@atmc.net or Betty Ann Luff 575-0297 luff1@atmc.net.

Sea Horse Book Club

On September 7th we will be discussing the 2nd novel in Steig Larsson's trilogy, *The Girl Who Played with Fire*. This book moves so quickly you won't be able to put it down. In October we will read another Robert McCammon book, *Gone South*. For November, it is back to Larsson to complete the trilogy with *The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest*. Come to September's meeting with suggestions for the upcoming year.

If you enjoy reading and sharing your ideas, consider joining our lively group. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at the Pink Palace at 3:30. You will not be disappointed. Contact Joyce Hellmann at jmhellmann@atmc.net or at 579-0273.
Happy Reading

MS Bike Ride

Due to an unexpected delay with the completion of the new Sunset Beach Bridge, we are moving the Sunday finish site of bike MS: Breakaway to the Beach to The Village Shopping Center on Sunset Blvd. The original completion date for the bridge was May 2010, but due to construction delays, the bridge will not be open and approved for traffic until October. For safety reasons we are unable to use the existing historic swing bridge. We have located a new finish line site two miles away and will have a large, festive finish experience right off Sunset Blvd.

We need still need volunteers for this event on Sunday, September 26th. Please contact Ellen Lehrer at 575-5340.

Facilities Schedule

Pools 6 am-10 pm Tennis Court 7am-10pm
Library 6 am-10 pm Chapel 7am-5pm
Exercise Facility 6am-10pm
Beach Parking Lot 6 am-10 pm (No overnight parking)

Pink Palace and MAC meeting rooms: by appointment only through Jennie Gregory at 910-579-0418. If you will not need your scheduled room, please call Jennie to cancel.

Thank You

Once again Sea Trailers have proven to be some of the most generous, compassionate and supportive people on earth! Julie and I are awed by the love and encouragement you all gave us during our last days with my sister, Kathleen. You all knew just when we needed an ear, a shoulder or a few hours of respite. We never felt alone in our journey. Because of you Kathleen stayed safe, comfortable, pain free and included in life. May God bless each and every one of you.
— John and Julie Sullivan

Pinochle

We meet at the Pink Palace every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. We play double-deck and we are a friendly, patient group. If you would like to just come and "observe" for an evening, you are certainly welcome to do so. Couples and singles are invited. Questions, please call Lorraine and Frank Kish at 575-2440.

November Dining Around

Your hosts, the Bombolises and Lawsons, invite you to save Monday, November 1st for Greg Norman's Australian Grill. Details to follow in the October Sea Trailer.

Granny's Closet

Granny's Closet is a list of items that are held by individuals who are willing to lend them to us when we have a need for them, cribs, high chairs, and medical items, crutches or a walker. Please call the following if you need anything from Granny's Closet: Eileen Chamberlain, 579-3111, Chris Woods 579-0052, Diane Kreuzburg 579-4333. Eileen Chamberlain is coordinator of these items and if you have something you would like to include or delete from Granny's Closet, please call her.



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Submission format: no bold, italicize, underline, centering, exclamation points or all caps (even in titles). All text in Arial font, 10 point, black; all text and titles flush left.

Deadline for all submissions: 22nd of the month

Clubs and Activities (cont.)

Non-Denominational Bible Study TGIF

Most of the NBS Groups here in Seatrial took a break for the summer and will be starting up again this month. For those who may still be wondering if they should join an NBS group or not, the only requirement is that you believe that the Bible is a book worth studying or learning more about.

Peter, a leader among Jesus' disciples, in one of his letters to the Christians at large, states; "For we were not making up clever stories when we told you about the power of our Lord Jesus Christ and His coming again. We have seen His majestic splendor with our own eyes. And He received honor and glory from God the Father when God's glorious, majestic voice called from heaven, "This is my beloved Son; I am fully pleased with Him." We ourselves heard the voice when we were there with Him on the Holy Mountain. Because of that, we have even greater confidence in the message proclaimed by the prophets." 2nd Peter: 1:16-19A.

I encourage all to come and study and discover God's Word for yourself in a comfortable and non-threatening environment. For more information or to join one of our 6 groups currently meeting on different days and at different times call Ann Otten at 579-5239.

Was it Mother Nature, the hosts for the evening or the fact that we had two new couples from, would you believe, New Jersey that brought in the crowd to last month's TGIF?

If you need a place to unwind, come join us at the Pink Palace on the first and third Friday's of the month between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. Bring an appetizer to share and your own beverage of choice.

Your hosts for September are:

September 3 David & Rita Ashley
Tom & Jeanne Deacon

September 17 Mike & Jane Dickman
Mike & Carol Pozdol

Mark your calendars and join us for an informal evening of good cheer. — **John and Jo Ann Barton**

Golf

STMGA Club Championship

Monte Beebe and Mike Depauw each finished with a 4-round total of 313 to share the STMGA Club Championship for 2010 which was held on August 9, 10, 16 and 17. Tony Novalis, 314; Ron Dubas, 323; Charlie Hanlon, 326 and Dick Couch, 338 also completed the scratch flight competition.

The non-scratch flight championships consisted of an opening qualifying round of stroke play followed by 3 rounds of single elimination match play. In A flight, Jim Hitchcock defeated Ron Jenei, 1 up. Greg DeCrane won B flight, 4 and 3 over Pete Hauver. Norm Melanson took the Gold D flight championship by beating Niels Kaas 1 up after 3 play-off holes. The Gold E flight was won by Nick Forlidas who defeated Dick Zinser 3 and 2.

Mike Jerome scored a hole-in-one on the 155-yd, par-3, 16th hole of the Byrd course during the Stableford tournament held on August 17.

Many thanks to Jon Olson and Joe Carpinello who did an excellent job of planning and conducting this championship tournament. — **Tony Imondi**

Lady Birds

Course: Brierwood
Date: July 27, 2010
Field: 74

First Flight: Joan Mason 76 -2nd Low Gross; Mo Spada 64 - 2nd Low Net

Second Flight: JoAnn Barton 69 - 1st Low Net

Third Flight: Ruth Apalinski 90 - 1st Low Gross

Fifth Flight: Donna Morris 97 - 1st Low Gross

— **Joan Mason**

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Maples Golf Shop	1125
Magnolias Lounge	1119
Brassies Pub - 210 Clubhouse Road	1385

Golf (cont.)

Couples Golf

The Couples Championship was held on August 7th and 8th hosted by the Brawleys and the Markatoses. As many of you know, the event was won this year by Sharon and John Markatos, highlighted by John's eagle. By the time this is printed, we will also have had a mixed event on the 29th, hosted by Pat Reid and Joe Carpinello.



Sharon and John Markatos

September brings a Couples Event on the Byrd course on the 12th and will be hosted by Madeline and Ron Dubas and Lorraine and Ed Kazan. September 26th is the very popular Sadie Hawkins tournament, a shotgun on Maples. This year's event will be hosted by the Lockes and the Puseys. Ladies, pick you partners and keep your eyes out for more information.

There is only one date left without hosts and that is on Halloween. Please let us know if you would help out and host that day.

— *Mary Alice and Mike Jerome*

Sadie Hawkins Tournament

Ladies, the Sadie Hawkins Tournament is just around the corner. Get yourself a partner and be ready for Sunday, September 26th. Dinner will follow play at the Pink Palace. Look for the sign-up sheet at the J/B Clubhouse after 9/13. Hosted by the Lockes and the Puseys

Lady Niners

Our August Couples Golf was held Sunday, August 15, on the front of the Byrd, hosted by Darlene DeCrane and Babe Madura. First place winners by match of cards were Babe and Ben Madura and Charlene and Alan Doolittle. Second place went to Jane and Bill McGee and Cherle and John Rothermel and third place went to Inger and Gary Dickson and Cathy and Charlie Myersohn.

Pairings for September: JoAnn Abrams (575-4493) and Lucy Imondi (575-6151). Sign up on line or at the J/B Clubhouse by Monday noon. If you don't have a computer, put your phone number next to your name on the sign-up sheet. If for any reason you have to cancel call the clubhouse and either JoAnn or Lucy.

Hosts for the September 19 Couples Golf are Mickie Borders (575-6379) and Paula Meyer (575-9642). Sign-up will be posted at the J/B Clubhouse along with the details. If you are a single find a partner, either male or female and come out and have some fun. If you need to cancel, please call the clubhouse and either Mickie or Paula.

Our fall luncheon will be held on Wednesday, September 8 at the Pink Palace at 11:00 a.m. Reservations and a check for \$7.00, payable to STLN should be given or dropped off at Diane Kreuzburg's house by September 2.

Our fall Member/Member Tournament will be held Thursday, September 16 on the back of the Byrd course. Members get your partners and look for further information on the bulletin board at the J/B Clubhouse.

Slick Chicks is a great way to practice before league day. Those wishing to play are to email or call JoAnn Abrams (575-4493) by Saturday noon. We play every Tuesday and if changes need to be made after you've signed up contact JoAnn.

— *Anita Clark, Publicity*

Bagdrop

It is finally September! That even sounds cooler than August. Under the hot August sun, the STLGA Club Championship was held. Congratulations to our 2010 champion Joan Mason and to Lynn James, the first runner-up. Joan said that she has been playing golf for over 30 years, and this was her 12th try to win the championship. Her hard work finally paid off. Congratulations to both of these golfers for a job well done.

Congratulations also to Anne Giordano. Anne had an eagle on hole number 11 of the Byrd course on August 6.

Coming up in September will be our two Member-Member tournament. It will be played on the Byrd course on September 15, and on the Jones course on September 16. Following the tournament will be a 4:00 p.m. meeting of STLGA members. An email was sent to all members on August 19, with proposed changes to the Standing Rules and By Laws. Hopefully, each member has had an opportunity to review these proposals. We will be voting on them at this meeting. Following the meeting will be the social for the tournament.

Our president, Pat Sutton, has asked that if anyone is interested in serving on any of the STLGA committees in the upcoming year, please send her an email with your interest. For a list of the committees, check out the bottom of STLGA's blog page on the web.

Pairing coordinators for September are JoAnn Barton at 579-7821 and Denise Reiner at 579-1641.

Now a little humor from an unknown author: "When I die, bury me on the golf course so my husband will visit."

— *Kathy Ivey, Publicity*

Needed: New Editor for Sea Trailer

It's time to hang up my Editor hat and give someone else the opportunity to use his/her skills to "modernize" the Sea Trailer and give it a much-needed makeover.

I'd like the December, 2010 issue to be my last and will work with the new editor closely to get him/her up to speed. I use Microsoft Publisher, but I've also used InDesign and will, of course, provide all templates and clipart.

If you're interested, please contact me at 575-5340 or Donna Piatek, Communications Chair at 575-0365.

— *Ellen Lehrer, Sea Trailer Editor*



When the Red, Red Robin Comes Bob-bob-bobbin Along

Many of us know Diane Hahn as Sea Trail's very own "Bird Lady." Her supportive and caring husband, Vic, faithfully works with her to create the welcoming bird habitat that they have behind their home on Sea Trail Drive. Diane has been following birds for most of her life, and has had several remarkable experiences with wild birds that have bonded with her. This month, she shares her experience from a few years back, when she raised a baby robin.

The place was West Lafayette, Indiana. Vic and Diane's daughter and her family were living there, and their grandson Markie was only about a year and a half old. One day they were out walking, and spotted a baby robin in their driveway. The little bird was helpless, and could not yet fly, so they scooped it up in a shoe box, and brought it inside.

After only a day or so, Diane's daughter realized that caring for a baby robin was more than she could handle while caring for her own "brood," so she gave the bird in its box to Diane. Diane named the bright, alert little robin "Robbie," and began patiently to feed it. Baby birds must be fed every 20 minutes during daylight hours, so this was truly a labor of love! She elicited the help of her grandson Markie, and the two of them spent a lot of time outside, catching insects live, to feed to the baby bird. Robbie's favorites were crickets. Markie was young enough not to be squeamish about picking up live critters, and he even crawled under things to grab the crickets.

After the first week of Diane's and Markie's attentive care, Robbie began to sprout his fledgling feathers. Diane knew that if Robbie were ever to be able to re-join his feathered family in the wild, he would have to learn to use his new wings. And, as caring as Diane was, she certainly was not the Mama Robin that nature had intended to teach fledglings to fly!

She began by taking Robbie out each day, and carefully placing him in some nearby bushes. His bright shiny eyes would carefully inspect this new environment. Occasionally he would hop out of the bush, and flutter safely to the ground.

Next, Diane started placing Robbie on the branch of a nearby tree. At first, Robbie would just stay securely on the branch. Diane coaxed him into "flying" by sitting in a nearby chair, holding his favorite food, a live cricket. Whenever she fed the bird, she would use his name, so now, when she called "Robbie," the little bird knew she was talking to him. As she held out the cricket enticingly, she had the bird's attention. Finally, he decided it was worth taking the plunge, and he fluttered off the branch down to the ground, then hopped over to Diane for his cricket reward.

These flying lessons continued for several more days. Then, one evening, Diane took Robbie out to a shrub, and placed him safely on it, saying a little prayer as she told him that he would be staying out all night, just like the other birds. The next morning when she went out and called, "Robbie," there he was! She was so glad to see him safe and sound, and he was glad to see her, bearing food, of course. This continued for two or three more days, until one morning, Diane went out, and did not find Robbie. She called and called, and finally heard him answer. Then she spotted him; he was on a neighbor's roof!

That day marked the beginning of Robbie's independence. He had met the challenge of surviving outside on his own. Diane knew that her job was successfully completed. She was filled with wistful pride at the accomplishment. She was glad that Robbie had reached adulthood, and would soon be joining other robins, back in the natural world where he belonged. Yet, it was also sad to see him go.

Several weeks later, Diane's neighbor called her to say there was a flock of robins in the nearby trees. Diane wondered if Robbie was among them. She went outside, and caught one more cricket. She carried it down the street, and when she spotted the flock of robins in the trees, she began calling, "Robbie, Robbie." She waited expectantly. Then she called again. Sure enough, one bird flew from the flock, and landed on the top of a lamp post. Diane held the cricket up, and Robbie ate the proffered insect before flying back to rejoin his feathered family.

Diane was thrilled that her Robbie made the transition from "captivity" back to the wild, and was amazed that he remembered her and responded when called. Yet "rescuing" birds is something that she and other bird experts advise against.

She explained that most often, if you spot a "baby" or fledgling bird on the ground, its parents are nearby, and they are the probably trying to coax the bird to fly, or to return to its nest.



Markie and Robbie

Mary Keefe, our local bird resource at The Yardbird Emporium in Calabash, agrees. She recently was “given” a mockingbird to raise by someone who had picked it up, and Mary was kept busy feeding it every twenty minutes during all daylight hours, seven days a week, until it grew large enough to be released and to feed itself. She says that this is a schedule that most humans cannot keep up. Here’s advice from Diane and from Mary about “rescuing” birds:

- If you find a bird on the ground, and are tempted to rescue it, take the time to do it right! Don’t take the baby bird away from the area where his parents are . . . they’re the experts.
- If the bird truly is injured (many are simply stunned after accidentally flying into a window or unseen object), you may want to carefully move the bird to a place of shelter, nearby. You could move the bird into a shoe box, then thumbtack it in a shady area high in a nearby tree. This will keep the bird safe from predators while it recovers on its own. If injuries are such that its apparent that self-recovery is unlikely, you may choose to contact a local bird shelter.
- More often, you may come upon a baby bird out of its nest. Many baby birds are thought to be abandoned or out of the nest too soon by many backyard birdwatchers. The truth is, few birds fall from their nest, unless storms or other natural disasters occur.
- Most birdwatchers who find a young bird automatically want to care and feed the bird. *It is strongly recommended that you not do this.* You are more likely to do more harm than good. Before you pick up an orphaned bird (and if it is not in immediate danger from pets or traffic), watch it from a distance for an hour or two to see if the mother will return.
- If the bird you spot is featherless, clearly quite young, then you can carefully pick it up and replace it into its nest. It is a myth that once you touch a baby bird the parents will not accept it. Birds do not have a well-developed sense of smell or taste.
- If you can't locate or reach the nest, use a small, plastic berry basket or margarine container. Cut drainage holes, add grass or pine straw, and use wire to attach it to the shady side of the closest tree or bush. Gently place the baby bird in the new nest and, from a distance, check it periodically to make sure the parents return.
- Some fledglings (“teenage” birds with feathers and short tails) may hop around on the ground in a covered area near their nest for several days while parents feed them. Fully feathered birds with short tails hopping around should be left there. Don't put them back in the nest; they will only jump out again and could injure themselves. The parents are probably nearby, and will continue protect and feed them on the ground until they can fly.
- If parents do not return within two hours or if the baby is injured, place it in a small, covered box with air holes punched in the lid. Keep it warm and quiet and do NOT attempt to give it food or water. Birds breathe through a hole in their tongues. Water placed in its mouth will be inhaled, and the bird could drown. Each species requires also requires specialized food and care. Take it to a bird sanctuary as soon as possible.
- Confining cats and dogs and educating children is the best way you can help. Wildlife's natural parents are always better at caring for them than human foster parents.
- Although it is difficult and often not successful, it is sometimes necessary to try to rehabilitate injured birds or raise young birds . However, Mary Keefe advises from her first hand experience that it is *very difficult* for the inexperienced to rehabilitate or raise birds. *Raising baby birds should be left to the parents whenever possible. If the parents are around, leave or return the young birds to where you found them.*



Diane Hahn



Special Events

This column will feature articles on upcoming events sponsored by non-profit organizations that provide benefits and services to our community. All articles must be submitted by an STMA member who is involved with the event. The article must meet the following criteria:

1. The article must be short, one or two paragraphs.
2. Fees or donations may be mentioned.
3. No forms or tear-offs.
4. The name of the STMA member must be listed as a contact.
5. If more information is necessary, an ad may be purchased and referenced in the article.
6. An event may be included for no more than two months.

The editor and/or editorial committee reserve the right to refuse or edit articles. Please send items for Special Events and Swap

Men Only Rally for the Cure

Sandpiper Bay Golf & Country Club; Monday, September 27, 2010; captain's choice golf tournament in support of the Susan G. Koman Rally for the Cure fight against breast cancer. The format for the tournament will be a four-man captain's choice with an entry fee of \$70 per person/\$280 per team. Call Gloria Wimmer at 579-1424 for more information.

No Senior Follies This Year

The *Senior Follies*, a Variety Show whose performers are Brunswick County seniors (including some from Sea Trail), has been sponsored by Habitat For Humanity in the Fall the past four years. Sea Trail has always been well represented in the audience so you may be wondering about dates for this year. Unfortunately, Habitat has decided not to have it this year. They do hope to bring it back next year. Scott Stovin 575-6334.

Miniature Golf Tournament to Benefit the Cape Fear Chapter of the American Red Cross

October 29 at Jungle Rapids Family Fun Park, Wilmington. \$100 per 4-person team. Contact Ellen Lehrer 575-5340 for more information.

Pink Palace Calendar — August 2010

Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	Aug	30	31	1	Sep	2	3
4:00pm - 9:00pm Reserve	5:00pm - 6:00pm Men's Golf Fitness 7:00pm - 10:00pm Mah Jongg	8:00am - 9:00am Strength Training	9:30am - 1:00pm Hand & Foot 1:30pm - 5:00pm Knitting Club 5:15pm - 6:30pm Rules Committee 7:00pm - 9:30pm PINOCHLE	8:00am - 9:00am Aerobics 9:15am - 12:00pm Ladies Bridge 12:30pm - 4:00pm Golf Group	12:30pm - 4:30pm Reserve 6:00pm - 7:30pm TGIF	4:00pm - 11:00pm Reserve	
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MAC Center Calendar — August 2010

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